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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: R. SAITO, et al.
Application No.: 10/807,272
Filed: March 24, 2004
For: SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE AND METHOD OF
OPERATION THEREOF
Art Unit: 2818
Examiner: Trong Q. Phan

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

February 23, 2005

Sir:

Appreciation is expressed to Examiner Trong Phan for his courtesy and helpfulness during a telephone interview conducted on February 22, 2005 regarding the above matter.

During the course of the telephone interview, the undersigned attorney noted a receipt of a Notice of Allowance and Fees Due in this matter, dated January 12, 2005. Appreciation is expressed to the Examiner for the Notice of Allowance.

However, as discussed during the interview, it is noted that the Notice of Allowability which accompanied the Notice of Allowance indicated only that the communication was responsive to the Amendment filed on December 9, 2004, and that the allowed claims were claims 1-15. However, it is noted that a Supplemental Amendment had been filed on December 17, 2004, adding new claims 18-24. This Supplemental Amendment was filed approximately one week after the original December 9, 2004 Amendment, and substantially before the Notice of Allowance,

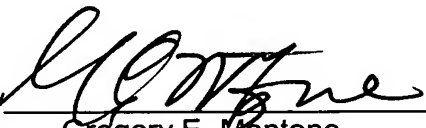
which was mailed on January 12, 2005. In reviewing this matter, Examiner Phan advised the undersigned attorney that the December 17, 2004 Amendment, had, in fact, been entered and considered, and that the Notice of Allowability should have indicated this. In addition, Examiner Phan advised the undersigned attorney that a new Notice of Allowability would be mailed indicating the consideration of the December 17, 2004 Amendment, as well as the allowance of the new claims 18-24.

Appreciation is expressed to Examiner Phan for his courtesy and helpfulness in this matter. If there are any additional matters which need to be discussed, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 503.30370CC8), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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